UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

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CONSENT PRELIMINARY ORDER

OF FORFEITURE/

MONEY JUDGMENT

JOSEPH DEPAOLA,

: 19 Cr. 833 (SHS)

Defendant.

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WHEREAS, on or about November 19, 2019, JOSEPH DEPAOLA (the "Defendant"), was charged in a two-count Indictment, 19 Cr. 833 (SHS) (the "Indictment"), with conspiracy to commit wire fraud, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1349, 2326(1), and 2326(2) (Count One);

WHEREAS, the Indictment included a forfeiture allegation as to Count One of the Indictment, seeking forfeiture to the United States, pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 982(a)(8), any and all real or personal property used or intended to be used to commit, facilitate, or to promote the commission of the offenses; and any and all real or personal property, constituting, derived from or traceable to the gross proceeds that the Defendants obtained, directly or indirectly, as a result of the offense charged in Count One of the Indictment, including but not limited to a sum of money in United States currency, representing the amount of proceeds traceable to the commission of the offense charged in Count One of the Indictment, and certain specific property;

WHEREAS, on or about February 2, 2021, the Defendant pled guilty to Count One of the Indictment, pursuant to a plea agreement with the Government, wherein the Defendant admitted the forfeiture allegation with respect to Count One of the Indictment and agreed to forfeit to the United States, pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 982(a)(8), a sum of money

equal to \$100,000 in United States currency, representing proceeds traceable to the commission of the offense;

WHEREAS, the Defendant consents to the entry of a money judgment in the amount of \$100,000 in United States currency representing the amount of proceeds traceable to the offense charged in Count One of the Indictment that the Defendant personally obtained; and

WHEREAS, the Defendant admits that, as a result of acts and/or omissions of the Defendant, the proceeds traceable to the offense charged in Count One of the Indictment that the Defendant personally obtained cannot be located upon the exercise of due diligence.

IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED, by and between the United States of America, by its attorney Audrey Strauss, United States Attorney, Assistant United States Attorneys, Kiersten A. Fletcher, Robert B. Sobelman, and Sheb Swett, of counsel, and the Defendant, and his counsel, Zachary Margolis-Ohnuma, Esq. and Victoria Medley, Esq., that:

- 1. As a result of the offense charged in Count One of the Indictment, to which the Defendant pled guilty, a money judgment in the amount of \$100,000 in United States currency (the "Money Judgment"), representing the amount of proceeds traceable to the offense charged in Count One of the Indictment that the Defendant personally obtained, shall be entered against the Defendant.
- 2. Pursuant to Rule 32.2(b)(4) of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure, this Consent Preliminary Order of Forfeiture/Money Judgment is final as to the Defendant, JOSEPH DEPAOLA, and shall be deemed part of the sentence of the Defendant, and shall be included in the judgment of conviction therewith.
- 3. All payments on the outstanding money jurgement shall be made by postal money order, bank or certified check, made payable, in this instance, to the United States Marshals

Service, and delivered by mail to the United States Attorney's Office, Southern District of New York, Attn: Money Laundering and Transnational Criminal Enterprises Unit, One St. Andrew's Plaza, New York, New York 10007 and shall indicate the Defendant's name and case number.

- 4. The United States Customs and Border Protection is authorized to deposit the payments on the Money Judgment in the Assets Forfeiture Fund, and the United States shall have clear title to such forfeited property.
- 5. Pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(p), the United States is authorized to seek forfeiture of substitute assets of the Defendant up to the uncollected amount of the Money Judgment.
- 6. Pursuant to Rule 32.2(b)(3) of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure, the United States Attorney's Office is authorized to conduct any discovery needed to identify, locate or dispose of forfeitable property, including depositions, interrogatories, requests for production of documents and the issuance of subpoenas.
- 7. The Court shall retain jurisdiction to enforce this Consent Preliminary Order of Forfeiture/Money Judgment, and to amend it as necessary, pursuant to Rule 32.2 of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure.
- 8. The Clerk of the Court shall forward three certified copies of this Consent Preliminary Order of Forfeiture/Money Judgment to Assistant United States Attorney Alexander J. Wilson, Co-Chief of the Money Laundering and Transnational Criminal Enterprises Unit, United States Attorney's Office, One St. Andrew's Plaza, New York, New York 10007.

9. The signature page of this Consent Preliminary Order of Forfeiture/Money Judgment may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which will be deemed an original but all of which together will constitute one and the same instrument.

## AGREED AND CONSENTED TO:

AUDREY STRAUSS United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York

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JOSEPH DEPAOLA

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Zackary Margulis-Ohnuma, Esq. Victoria N. Medley, Esq. Law Office of Zachary Margulis-Ohnuma 260 Madison Avenue, 18th Floor New York, New York 10016.

SO ORDERED:

HONORABLE SIDNEY H. STEIN UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE 3/2/2021